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Applicant: Jörg Mayer et al.

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Title: AN IMPLANT TO BE IMPLANTED IN BONE TISSUE OR IN BONE
TISSUE SUPPLEMENTED WITH BONE SUBSTITUTE MATERIAL

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT "B"

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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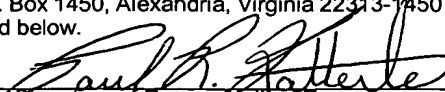
Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application, prior to examination thereof,
in the manner set forth below.

As a result of this Preliminary Amendment "B", 24 additional claims in excess
of 20 have been added. A check for \$216 covering the fee for these additional
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